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To the PRINTERS. *J. Adams*

WHEN the firſt ſettlers of this country had tranſplanted themſelves here, they were to be conſidered, either as in the ſtate of nature, or elſe as ſubjects of that kingdom from whence they had migrated: If they were in the ſtate of nature, they were then entitled to all the rights of nature; no power on earth having any *juſt* authority, to moleſt them in the enjoyment of the leaſt of theſe rights, unleſs they either had or ſhould forfeit them by an invaſion of the rights of others: If the Crown and people of England had at that time, no right, property or claim to that part of the earth, which they had fix'd upon to ſettle and inhabit, it follows, that in the ſuppos'd ſtate of nature, neither the crown nor people of England had any *lawful* and *equitable* authority or controul over them, more than the inhabitants of the moon: they had a right to erect a government upon what form they thought beſt; or to connect themſelves, for the ſake of their own advantage and ſecurity, either with the natives, or any other people upon the globe, who were willing to be connected with them: It is a fact, that they choſe to erect a government of their own, much under the ſame form, as that was, which they had formerly been under in Europe; and thoſe the King of England for *their* King, whoſe ſubjects they had been, in their ſtate of ſociety before their emigration. —Thus upon the foregoing ſuppoſition, the King of *Old* England became connected with the ſettlers of *New* England, and *their* King: But the people of England could have no more political connection with them, or power of juriſdiction over them, than they now have with or over the people of Hanover, who are alſo ſubjects of the ſame King: And if they have ſince obtain'd no power of juriſdiction, by virtue of any treaty, compact, agreement or conſent, in which *alone*, all *legal* juriſdiction has its eſtabliſhment, the people here ſtill remain, under the moſt ſacred tie, the ſubjects of the *King* of Great-Britain; but utterly unaccountable to, and uncontroulable by the *people* of Great Britain, or any body of them whatever; their compact being with the King only, to him alone they ſubmitted, to be govern'd by him, agreable to the terms of that compact, contain'd in their charter.¶

But on the other ſuppoſition, if after their arrival here they remained, as undoubtedly they did, the ſubjects of the Kingdom of England, they then remain'd, without the neceſſity of charter declarations to confirm it, juſtly entitled to all and every the rights, liberties, privileges and immunities of ſuch; for to talk of Engliſh ſubjects who are free, and of other Engliſh ſubjects, not *ſo* free, provided they have not legally forfeited *any part* of their freedom, appears to be abſurd.—Of all the rights of Engliſhmen, thoſe of conſenting to their own laws, and being tried by juries, are the moſt material and important: Upon the preſent ſuppoſition, the parliament of England has no more lawful power to make an act which ſhall deprive the people of *New* England of thoſe rights, than they have to make an act to deprive the people of *Old* England of the ſame rights: If theſe are the indefeaſible rights of the one, ſo they muſt be of the other; they being *fellow ſubjects*, and ſtanding upon *equal* footing: The people of *Old* England would think it very unjuſt, to have an act of parliament made, which ſhould deprive them of the unalienable rights of the conſtitution; juſt ſo would the people of *New* England think, and for the ſame reaſon; and human nature being the ſame, and both being animated with the ſame love of freedom, and equally attached to the ſame happy conſtitution, ſuch a law in either caſe would probably produce the ſame effects: It is hoped the people of England will never think it neceſſary for them to make ſuch laws for the Colonies, for it might prove a *fatal* neceſſity: It might at leaſt be *detrimental* to Great Britain in *proportion* as the Colonies are *important* to her: Would not ſuch laws, in a *moral* view, cut the thread of political connection and obligation? Does not allegiance infer protection? Has not the latter the ſtrongeſt claim? Would men ever have had the idea of allegiance to an earthly Prince, had they not firſt found it neceſſary to form a government on earth, under God, to protect their natural rights? Is not therefore the Subject's allegiance firſt due to the conſtitution of government, which ſecures the natural rights of the governed; and as a neceſſary means thereof circumſcribes and limits the power of thoſe, whom they have or ſhall conſtitute to be their legiſlators and governors, whether Kings, or Parliaments, or both?

To aſcertain the rights of the New-England ſubjects, the King early gave them a Charter, in which it was declared, what thoſe rights were; and to ſhow his royal mind, that by their attempting, at their own coſt and pains, to ſettle a new world, they could by no means be thought to have forfeited their rights as Engliſhmen: He expreſly declares them and their poſterity entitled to all thoſe rights, as fully as if they had remained in England. Indeed, if they could poſſibly have been ſuppos'd to have loſt their rights, by means of their emigration, yet being *innocent* people, and ſubject to *no other* power on earth, they muſt have been reduced to a ſtate of nature and independence; for to talk of Engliſh ſubjects without any of the rights of the conſtitution, is a ſolicism.

It was not poſſible for them to enjoy theſe Rights without erecting a legiſlative and other powers of government among themſelves: For it was not poſſible for them at ſuch a diſtance, to have that *weight* and *importance* in the legiſlative power in England, which every *individual* there has a right to by the conſtitution, and by act of parliament is declared actually to have: The granting them the powers of government was not mere *favor*, but that which was *right*, *fit*, *equitable*; for without it they muſt have been deprived of that right, which others enjoy'd who were no more than their *equals*; and which were ſome of them the eſſential rights of nature, as well as the conſtitution, and therefore inſeperable from them either as men or ſubjects.—By virtue of theſe powers of government they now ſtand (as in all reſpects they ought in juſtice) upon a footing with their *fellow ſubjects* in England. Their laws are now made, with the conſent of repreſentatives of *their own* free election; which laws like thoſe made by the two houſes of the Britiſh parliament, are laid before the Sovereign, who has the ſame power of rejection, *upon both*: Would it not then be juſt as equitable, and juſt as conſiſtent with the Britiſh conſtitution, which extends to all his Majeſty's *Britiſh* ſubjects throughout his dominions, for the repreſentatives of the people of New-England, or any other colony, to make a law to tax their *fellow ſubjects* in England, as for their repreſentatives to make a law to tax *their* fellow ſubjects in the colonies?

BRITANNUS AMERICANUS.

111 See the Charter page 1077 Vol. 2.

Boſton, March 17.

AT a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of this Town on Monday laſt, the Hon. JAMES OTIS, Eſq; was choſen Moderator; and the following Perſons to ſerve the Town in the Offices hereafter mentioned, for the Year enſuing, Viz.

Town Clerk; Mr. William Cooper.

Selectmen; Joſeph Jackſon, Eſq; Samuel Sewall, Eſq; John Ruddock, Eſq; John Hancock, Eſq; William Phillips, Eſq; Mr. Timothy Newell; John Rowe, Eſq;

(The Thanks of the Town were unanimouſly given to Joſhua Henſhow, Eſq; Benjamin Auſtin, Eſq; and Mr John Winſlow, who had ſerved the Town in that Office, and were again choſen; but upon their Requeſt were excuſed.)

Town-Treaſurer; Mr. David Jeffries.

Overſeers of the Poor; John Barret, Eſq; Hon. Royall Tyler, Eſq; Mr. Benjamin Dolbeare, Iſaac Smith, Eſq; Melatiah Bourne, Eſq; Mr. Jonathan Maſon, Joſeph Gardner, Eſq; Mr. William Whitwell, Mr. Henderſon Inches, Capt. Benjamin Hammett, Mr. Ebenezer Storer, John Avery, Eſq;

Firewards; Newman Greenough, Eſq; John Rowe, Eſq; Mr. William Cooper, Mr. John Mico Wendell, Thomas Marſhall, Eſq; William Homes, Eſq; Mr. Joſeph Tyler, Mr. Jonathan Williams, Capt. Adioo Paddock, Mr. James Richardſon, Capt. William Downe Cheever, James Cunningham, Eſq; Capt. Benj Waldo.

(The Thanks of the Town were unanimouſly given to Joſeph Jackſon, Eſq; Mr. Samuel Auſtin, and William Taylor, Eſq; for their paſt Services in that Office, who were again choſen, but declined.)

Wardens; Meſſieurs Thomas Trott, Joſiah Torrey, Capt. Jeremiah Stimſon, Meſſieurs Benjamin Phillips, Philip Freeman, Daniel Parker, Samuel Abbot, Robert Gould, Thomas Ivers, William Beardman, Neal McIntyre.

Committee for purchaſing Grain; Joſeph Jackſon, Eſq; William Phillips, Eſq; William Holmes, Eſq;

Surveyor of Wheat; John Tudor, Eſq; Mr. John White.

Surveyor of Hemp; Mr. John Gray.

Aſſeſſors: Mr. William Fairfield, Mr. John Kneeland, Mr Benjamin Church, Mr. William Torrey, Mr. Jonathan Brown, Mr. Daniel Pecker.

Collectors of Taxes; Jonathan Payſon, Eſq; Mr. Samſon Salter, Mr. Edward Holliday, Mr. Samuel Ruggles Jun'r.

Fence Viewers; Meſſieurs John Dyer, Samuel Dyer, Obadiah Low, John Joy, and William Crafts.

Surveyors of Boards, &c. Meſſrs. William Nichols, Clement Collins, Jacob Thayer, Joſeph Edmunds, John Greenough, Iſaac Vergooſe, John Sergeant, Richard Walker, Andrew Symmes, John Skillings, John Champney.

Cullers of Staves; Meſſi'rs Peter Cotta, Joſeph Dyer, Manaſſeh Marſton, John Haſkins, David Spear, John Jenkins, Samuel Treat, Robert Breck, Job Wheelwright, Joſhua Pico, Benjamin Sault, Paul Baxter, John Owen, Thomas Knox, Samuel White, Edward Cowell, Edward Potter, Peter Ellis, Robert Treat, Nathan Spear, Timothy Peaſe, Jacob Williams, Nathaniel Waterman.

Clerks of the Market; Meſſi'rs Adam Collſon, James Thompſon, Bartholomew Kneeland, Joſeph Webb, John Lowell, Thomas Symmes, Robert Jenkins, Tertius.

Informers of Deer; Meſſi'rs Nathaniel Gardner, and Samuel Whitwell.

Aſſay Maſters; Meſſi'rs Martin Gay, and John Skinner.

Sealers of Leather; Meſſi'rs Ebenezer McIntoſh, Samuel Bangs, William Andrews, John Shepard, William Stevenſon.

Scavingers; Meſſi'rs Thomas Chaſe, Benjamin Homans, William Rogers, Jolley Allen, John Adams, Nathaniel Corbett, Jeremiah Webb, Andrew Boardman, Robert Williams, Daniel Ereleth.

Hayward; Mr. Edward Curtis.

Hogreeves; Meſſi'rs David Symonds, Tho's Curtis.

Conſtables; Meſſi'rs Auguſtus Hale, Francis Salmon, Peter Barbour, John Mein, Hugh Tarbett, Robert Gordon, James Anderſon, John Stevenſon, George Lyodley, James Charity, William Corbett, William Mc'Alpine.

Several Perſons who either were excuſed or declined in ſome of the above Offices are not inſerted; others are to be choſen in their Room at the Meeting on Monday the 24th Current at 10 o'Clock, A. M, to which it was adjourned.

A Number of Gentlemen were choſen by the Town to procure Subſcriptions for not purchaſing LAMB the enſuing Seaſon.

A Number of Scotch Gentlemen having been choſen into the Office of Conſtable for the Town of Boſton, at the annual Meeting of the Freeholders on Monday laſt; theſe Gentlemen not only accepted the Office, but in Honor thereof named a new Ship belonging to ſome of them, at her launching, the *Conſtables-Galley*.

Daniel Moulton, Eſq; is appointed a Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas for the County of York. And,

David Sewall, Eſq; Regiſter of Probate for the ſame County.

"We hear that a Church in Caſco-Bay (not the Epiſcopal) has flouriſhed to ſuch a Degree, that ſince June laſt, upwards of Thirty Perſons have been added thereto."

Laſt Monday Night in a Snow Storm, Capt. Collier in a Brig from the Straits going into Marblehead, ſtruck on a Ledge of Rocks, and ſunk before the People had Opportunity of ſaving any Thing beſides their own Lives; a Quantity of Dollars that was in a Cheſt with a Cargo of Salt were loſt, as alſo the Veſſel.

Capt. Smith in a Schooner from Philadelphia we hear was alſo caſt away near Cohaſſet Rocks; the Veſſel and Cargo, conſiſting of 1000 Barrels of Flour, &c. are loſt.—The Maſter, Mr. Blair a Paſſenger, and the Hands belonging to the Veſſel, with great Difficulty ſaved their Lives.

We hear that Capt. Jarvis who was blown off this Coaſt laſt Winter, is arrived at the Vineyard, with ſeveral North Carolina Veſſels bound to this Port, all which are ſoon expected round from thence.

To Palinurus the Great.

Ecce gubernator sese Palinurus agebat.
Unde 'haec, O Palinure, tibi tam dira cupido?
VIRGIL.

SIR,

IT is most astonishing to all but me who know you, and wonder at nothing, that you are everlastingly betraying yourself & all connected with you into scrapes and difficulties. Why did not you take more care, and see the proper month prefixed to the extract from the Critical Review, so edifying to all Tories here, as well as at home? November was referred to. I look'd thro' that month. I found no such thing there. I have said no more. If in my power, was it my business to correct the errors of you or your Printers?

I am sorry you should attempt to confound an *Oxonian Imprimatur* with a *Westminster stamp*. There is as much difference between the one and the other, as between a *court christian* and a *Spanish Inquisition*. The Westminster *stamp-mark* indeed affects all our conveyances, law proceedings, news papers, pamphlets & purses, which is hard enough and too hard too of all conscience. But the true *Oxonian Imprimatur* is the *genus* that spawns a thousand species. It rides triumphant over all *right, liberty & property*. It devours every thing. It swallows up houses, lands, *islands*, money, ships, cargoes, copies, creeds and libraries, and involves all opposers in one general conflagration, of their bodies *pro salute animarum*, for the good of their souls. Unless therefore you shall persist in your project of introducing this *Imprimatur*, you may cease your groaning, and still your groundless fears, no body will hurt you. As to your printers, they were used with great tenderness; and 'tis pity they could not perceive, if they do not, that as in all justice it ought, every thing wrong in their paper is imputed to you. For, besides the wretched pieces before alluded to, and published I suppose at your earnest desire, if not by your express order, pray Sir, who wrote a little piece putting the B. Colonists in America on no better footing than the *Asiatics* and *Africans*? Who procured *Howard's* infamous discourse, on the utility of dragoons to enforce the late Regulations, to be re-published here? But even you I forgive, as I hope those will, who, never but in derision, you call the *Patriots* and *True born Sons of Liberty*. You have no other ideas but those of *scorn* and *reproach* to annex to those terms, therefore are so far excuseable. But I believe neither they nor I shall ever forget your indefatigable attempts to enslave this whole continent. Before I take leave of you, I must give you one word of information and sound advice. 'Tis probable from the frame of human nature, that less may be borne, from a known court dependent, against the rights and liberties of the subject, than from another, and much less from a court-scribbler. I therefore in love & christian charity, earnestly recommend it to you, your publishers, editors and printers, to avoid every thing irritating, be humble, be prudent, be silent, be wise, lest in some of your sneering moods you too far exasperate those who have strove, and will again strive, whenever it shall be needful, in all lawful and laudable ways, to save their country from falling a prey to ravenous vultures, and other savage devourers.

F. A.

TO BE SOLD,

At the Boston *Factory for Snuff and Tobacco, opposite Doctor* Clarke's *Wharff. Fore Street,* Boston;

Best Scotch Snuff, Rappee Snuff,

all Sorts of Tobacco, either Cutt or Spunn-work, by Wholesale or Retail, at the lowest Prices for Cash or short Credit.

I beg Leave to recommend my Manufacture of Scotch Snuff to the Gentlemen Merchants Attention, as they are the only Source through which Manufactures must flourish, by internal or external Trade.—There is *Nova Scotia, Newfoundland* and *West-India* Markets, which might be supply'd, in some Measure, from hence; the latter of which I have just received Advice of a small Adventure of it for a Tryal, that it sold well, altho' I set it considerable higher than what I sell it by the Quantity. It now remains for me to say something in Regard of the Quality or Goodness of my Manufacture. of which I only say, that some Gentlemen of the first Rank in Town says it is better than two Thirds of the Snuff imported. The Truth of this, some Traders in Town is fully convinced, &c. Any Adventurers not succeeding in Sales, returning it again shall accept it for pay, if paid for, the Money returned again.

N. B. Cash given at said Factory for empty Snuff Bottles and Corks. Also wanted, a few Bushels of Barley, for which the Cash will be given.

TO BE SOLD,

A SCHOONER 94 Tons Burthen,

about 4 Years old, a good tight Vessel, and well built —For further Particulars, inquire of Capt. *John Smith*, Innholder in *Ipswich*, or the Printers hereof.

Choice Malaga WINE,

Of the Vintage 1763;
TO BE SOLD BY

Jonathan Snelling,

At his Store on *Treat's* Wharf, the South Side of the Town Dock;

A few Quarter Casks of best

Malaga Wine. ALSO, Russia Duck Lisbon and other Wines in Quarter Casks; Sweet Oyl; new Raisins; Sugars; Cotton Wool; Flax; Looking Glasses; Setts of Brushes, &c. all cheap for Cash.

ALL that are indebted to the Estate of Mr. *Andrew M'Kenzie*, late of *Milton*, Merchant, deceas'd, are desired to pay their respective Ballances, and all that have any Demands on said Estate are desired to bring in their Claims to the Subscriber, at the *Boston* Factory for Snuff and Tobacco, opposite Dr. *Clarke's* Wharff, Fore-street, *Boston*, that the Estate may be brought to a speedy Settlement. AND. GILLESPIE, Administrator.

To be Sold at public Vendue, on

the 26th Instant, if not Sold before a likely well-built SCHOONER, about 50 Tons Burthen, 10 Months old, a prime Sailor, and well found, lying at *Boies's* Wharff, built on Purpose for the *Newfoundland* Bank Fishery. The Reason of her being Sold is, the Owner has done with that Business, and bound for England. For Particulars, inquire of Mr. *David Tilden*.

To be sold by the Subscriber, a

fine Farm, about Twenty Miles from *Boston*, and within an Hour's Ride of three Seaport Towns, viz. *Salem, Marblehead* and *Beverley*, containing about 400 Acres of choice Land, with three Dwelling-Houses, scituated for the Reception of three Families, two of them being at each End of the Farm, the other about the Middle; one a genteel House, with a Kitchen, Barn, Stables, &c. calculated for a Gentleman of Fortune, the Farm is divided into seventeen Partitions, each Partition (except two small ones of about two acres) having a Stream of Water running thro' them, which has not been known to dry up in the driest season. The whole Farm is inclosed with a Stone Wall, between six and seven Feet high, and well built.

WILLIAM BURNET BROWN.

Messieurs PRINTERS,

Your inserting the following, will oblige a Well-wisher to the rising Generation.

AS it pleased the ALMIGHTY to give LIBERTY to our Fore-fathers as their Birthright, and they by the Protection of Heaven have handed the same down from one Generation to another, even to us, tho' at the Expence of Blood; and since it is now our Birthright, shall we sell it as Esau did his of old, for a Mess of Pottage, or content ourselves to have it taken from us without any Opposition? I hope every Man in North America will say No. For to say Yes, would be slighting the inestimable Gift of the ALMIGHTY. And since the Stamp Act imposed upon us is unconstitutional, and is meant to deprive us of our religious Privileges; shall we not then all as one Man join in opposing it, and spill the last Drop of our Blood (if Necessity should require) rather than live to see it take Place in America.

If we loose our Liberty, we must of Consequence loose our Property; for Riches and Plenty are the natural Fruits of Liberty; and where these abound, Learning and all the liberal Arts will immediately lift up their Heads and flourish: But if depriv'd of these, Learning and Religion will immediately sink into Oblivion, and our Children after us must certainly be bro't up in the most gross and brutal Ignorance. Nothing but Ignorance will hinder them from cursing us after we are dead and gone; and when walking over our Graves, will they not say, Here lies the last Remains of our Forefathers, who resign'd Liberty their Birth right, without any Consideration or Opposition, which might have been handed down to us, and Posterity yet unborn? Will they not for their wretched Slavery, curse the Hour that their Fathers begat them, and the Instant that their Mothers bro't them forth? He who after considering these and thousand of other dreadful Circumstances that will of Consequence attend the Stamps taking Place, and still remain a Friend to the Stamp-Act, is an Enemy to his Country, and deserves, justly deserves the Curse of God, and the detestable Abhorence of his Countrymen. But any one, after a thoro' Search and serious Consideration, would rather than lose his Liberty, be bored thro' the Center of Life with the fatal Lead; nay, would rather be sacrificed to the ungodly Appetite of the Savage Indians, than live to see that woful Day.

The Cause he fights for animates him high;
Namely, Religion and dear Liberty:
For these he conquers, or more bravely dies,
And yields himself a willing Sacrifice.

A SONG.

Occasion'd by a Threat to cut down a TREE OF LIBERTY.

IN Days of Yore when Freedom reign'd,
With Truth and Innocence;
Then Man might cultivate a Shrub,
Or Tree without Offence.

When Wisdom was an Ornament,
And Liberty at rest;
Then all might beautify their Walks,
With Trees that pleas'd them best.

And if a Slip from some lov'd Branch,
Was nurs'd with greater Care;
None cry'd "Sedition or a Mob
Is coming in the Rear"!

Or if a Limb they should devote,
To hang up all State Quacks;
No Court of Justice ever fear'd,
'Twas fix'd for their own Necks.

Those Senators were not afraid,
Who trod the ancient *Forum*,
If simple Trees were set apart,
For Traitors in *Terrorem*.

But now both Trees and Men must fall,
And worship Earthen gods;
Or bow to those that wou'd them crush,
And kiss the Iron Rods.

Yet, yet the giddy Sons of Pow'r
Think all to them are Slaves,
Tho' oft in Actions they appear,
Nought else but splendid Knaves.

But Lo the Day is hastening on,
When their vile Arts shall fail,
When HAMPDEN shall defeat their Schemes,
And Virtue's Cause prevail.

No freeborn Soul shall e're submit,
To wear the threaten'd Chains;
But in the Laws all acquiesce,
When Justice holds the Reins.

Oh may each Tree of Liberty,
Be ever *prun'd and dress'd*;
That with the Rights we *will* enjoy,
Our Children may be blest.

E'en Tyrant's Race shall curse their Sires,
And bless the Guardian Hands;
Who first shook off the Oppressor's Yoke,
And broke their cruel Bands!

While noble Sons of Liberty,
Who in their Country's Cause,
Have zealously drawn forth their Pens,
Shall ever meet Applause!

Then may a harmless *Walnut* Tree,
Stand in a Courtier's View,
Without inspiring Fear or Shame,
Its Ruin to pursue.

To be Sold by Public Vendue,
TO-MORROW;

A few Casks of very good Muscovado SUGARS,

at Store No. 9 Long-Wharff, between the two Cranes. To be seen at said Store this Day, and To-Morrow Morning.

THE Subscriber takes this Method to acquaint Gentlemen Merchants, and others in Trade, That he purposes carrying on the Business of a Broker, and will undertake any kind of Business that may come under that Appellation, as the Disposal of Ships and Merchandize by Public or Private Sale, making Insurance on Ships and Merchandize, buying Staple Commodities for the European Market, &c. &c. &c. and in order to facilitate his Design, has open'd Store called the BROKER'S STORE, *the Corner of* Kilby Street, *adjoining to Messieurs* Jarvis & Parker's.——*From his long Experience and thorough Acquaintance in Business, doubts not of giving Satisfaction to all who may be kind enough to favour him with their Commands.*

Attendance at his Store from Nine in the Morning to Six in the Evening. Orders left at his House near Christ's Church, or at his Store, will be punctually comply'd with by their Most obedient Servant,

JOS. TURELL.

N. B. Any Security requir'd will be given for his Integrity and Punctuality in the Discharge of said Office. All Writings in the Mercantile Way done with Accuracy and Dispatch.

To be Sold at the above Store,

The best Hyson and Bohea Tea,

a few Quintals neat Fish, a Quantity of *Carolina* Sole Leather, about 30 Hogsheads of Stone Lime, a new 6 Inch Cable, and a few Coils small Cordage. Boxes of Glass, 7 by 9, one Hogshead of enamell'd Tea Pots, Starch by the Cask, English and Russia Duck, Ticklenburgs, a few Boxes Young's Mustard, &c. cheap for the Cash.

Governor Barnard & James Otis jun.r Called Hampden.
Vide the Act pa. 53.

By His EXCELLENCY

FRANCIS BERNARD, Esq;

Captain-General and Governor in Chief, in and over his Majesty's Province of the MASSACHUSETTS-Bay in NEW ENGLAND, and Vice-Admiral of the same.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS a Representation hath been made to me by the Hon. JOHN TEMPLE, Esq; the Surveyor-General of his Majesty's Customs for the Northern District of *America*, that a certain small Schooner, on the 9th of *March* Instant, put into the Harbour of *Newbury-Port*, below the Town, and went out again the next Morning, which occasioned a Suspicion that there had been Goods landed from the said Schooner contrary to Acts of Trade; whereupon Mr. *William Jenkins* an Officer of the Customs stationed at *Newbury-Port*, aforesaid, did the next Day with a Boat and some Men proceed to *Salisbury* Beach, and there found and seized four Barrels of Sugar, three Tierces and Twelve Hogsheads of Molasses; but the Tide not serving till late in the Evening to bring the Boat and Goods up to Town, the same were beset by six Boats full of armed Men in Disguise, which took the Boat and Goods from the said Officer by Force, together with the Boat he went down in, leaving him and his Men on the Beach all Night in a Snow Storm.

And whereas it is of great Importance to the Peace and Order of this Government, and to the carrying into Execution within the same, the several Acts of Parliament for regulating the Plantation Trade that such high-handed Offenders should be brought to speedy and condign Punishment:

I Have thought fit with the Advice of his Majesty's Council to issue this Proclamation, hereby requiring all Justices of the Peace, all Sheriffs and their Deputies, and all Civil Officers in their several Districts and Departments within the said Province respectively, to use their utmost Endeavours for discovering, apprehending, and bringing to Justice the several Offenders aforementioned, or any of them, and also to support and maintain the Officers of the Customs in the Recovery of the said Vessel and Goods, and in all Matters relative thereto in the due Execution of their Office. And I do hereby promise a Reward of *Fifty Pounds*, to be paid out of the public Treasury, to any Person or Persons who shall inform against or discover any one or more concerned in these riotous and unlawful Proceedings, so that he or they shall be convicted. And if the Informer shall have been an Accomplice or any Ways engaged in the Offence aforesaid he shall receive his Majesty's Pardon and be also intituled to the Reward above-mentioned, upon Conviction of the Party informed against as aforesaid.

Given under my Hand at Boston, *the 15th Day of* March, *1766, in the Sixth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord* GEORGE *the Third, by the Grace of GOD, of* Great Britain, France, *and* Ireland, KING, *Defender of the Faith, &c.*

FRA. BERNARD.

By His Excellency's Command,
A. OLIVER, Secr.

PHILADELPHIA, February 27.

Extract of a Letter from London.

Dec. 14 "I saw Doctor Franklin yesterday, and found him under deep Concern for the present distracted State of America. No Father can be under more Anxiety for his Children. I don't know what People with you think of him, but I can assure you, from my own Knowledge, that some of those in Power to whom he is known, and who admit, and even admire his natural Sagacity, and his Knowledge in American Affairs, think him too partial to his own Country. And yet his Enemies, I am told, look upon him as a Betrayer of its Interests. This is truly provoking, and is enough to cool the Zeal of the warmest Patriot; but, if I know any thing of his Disposition, he is not to be diverted, by any Insult or Injury done to himself from following the Dictates of his Conscience, which, as he possesses an Understanding enlightened in no common Degree, I dare say, will always prompt him to advise such Measures (as far as he is consulted) as most directly tend to heal the Divisions, secure the Liberty, and restore the Happiness, Commerce and Tranquility of America.

NEW-YORK, March 6.

Extract of a Letter from Quebec, dated the 22d of January, 1766.

"Last post brought G— M— his preparatory dispatches for his returning home: You may judge of his concern from the effects this intelligence produc'd. —Immediately after perusal, he was taken extremely ill, was twice blooded, and is at this time in a very weak condition. It was impossible he could receive a more unwelcome Piece of news. Consider, sir, the awful occasion of being summoned at a sovereign's command, to render account of an administration at a time the conscious soul feels the heavy weight of self conviction. The people here rejoice much, and flatter themselves, oppression and partial acts of favor, will not any more be exercised in these parts.

"The Soldiers barracks at Montreal, are burnt down by a late fire; if it had happen'd at any other season with the high wind of that day, the whole city would be in danger of being destroyed; but its preservation was owing to the snow that lay on the tops of the houses, which prevented the fire spreading."

We hear from Philadelphia, that last week a man attempted to rob and murther a gentleman in the street, in the night time, but the gentleman after receiving a slight wound in drawing his sword, run the villain through the body, and leaving him in the street gave information to a magistrate, who sent to the place, and found the wounded man, who confessed his guilt. Proper care being taken of him, he is so much recovered as to be committed to goal to receive his trial.

Friday last Capt. Reed arrived here in 4 Weeks from *Pensecola*: His advices are that Flour was cheap, and Poultry scarce and dear; But CASH plenty: *(Pity he had not brought a Cargo of that Stuff, as it is much enquired for on the Continent.)* A Spanish Ship was there loaded with Cash. The Active Man of War was also there.

Extract of a Letter from a Gentleman in LONDON *to his Correspondent in* NEW-YORK.

——"We are sorry to hear of the Commotions that are already begun in America, and where and how it will end, time only will inform: You may think it would be best to be in England, but Trade you must judge is very bad here, and am afraid we shall starve at Home, by the unjust Extortions we seek abroad. Our News-Papers are full of Complaints from the Colonies, and that justly; but stand to it to a Man; for I think you had better die for the Cause of Liberty, than to be Tools and Dupes at Home."——

Boston, March 17.

We have the Pleasure to inform the Public, that last Tuesday, the first Day of the Term, the Superior Court opened here and proceeded to Business as usual. The Honorable Benjamin Lynde, Esq; in the Absence of the Chief Justice, who was out of the Province, gave a very judicious and elegant Charge to the Grand Jury. On Friday, after having dispatched all such Affairs as required an immediate Decision, particularly Complaints; and as Charlestown, Ipswich & Plimouth Courts of Common Pleas are coming on; the Court on Friday was adjourned with unanimous Consent of the Bar, and all Parties concerned, to the third Tuesday of April, to finish such special Matters as require a full Court. So that all the Courts of Justice in this Province are now to all Intents and Purposes open, and God grant they may remain so.

Between 10 & 11 o'Clock last Thursday Night, came on as severe a Storm of Snow, as any we have had the Winter past, Wind at N. W. and very high, which continued till Saturday Forenoon; during the Time, a great Quantity of Snow fell, which render'd the Roads almost impassible, as it drifted very much. Several Chimnies were blown down, but providentially no Lives were lost by their Fall; two of which were very remarkable Preservations, viz Sundry Persons who had just Breakfasted, had scarcely gone out of a Room, before the Chimney fell, and carried all before it to the Ground; and a Man at Work in a Kitchen, had no sooner quitted it than the Chimney fell and likewise carried all before it to the Ground. The Storm was so severe as to prevent the Thursday's Eastern Post crossing Charlestown Ferry before Saturday. We fear the Consequences of any Vessel that might have been on this Coast.

The above Storm we imagine has hindered the Southern and Western Mails, as they are not arrived at this Publication.

[*The* OBSERVATIONS *on Mr.* J's *Criticisms, we have receiv'd, and shall give them a Place in our next.*]

* * The Land advertised to be Sold at Mr. *John Greaton's* THIS DAY, as inserted in the last Page of this Paper, will not be put to Sale: If it should hereafter, timely Notice will be given.

CUSTOM HOUSE, *Port of Piscataqua, New-England, 13th March* 1766.

WHEREAS Mr. *William Jenkins* the Waiter stationed at *Newbury-Port*, within this District, did on the 10th Instant there seize to His Majesty's Use for illegal Importation, 4 Barrels of Sugar, and 12 Hogsheads and 3 Tierces of Molasses,—and whereas in the Night following the said Sugar and Molasses was by Violence taken from the said *Jenkins* by disguised Men armed, in six Boats, and carried off; We do hereby offer a Reward of 100 *Dollars* to any Person or Persons who shall discover where said Sugar and Molasses is, so as that the same may be prosecuted to Judgment. *By Order of the Surveyor General,*

THEODORE ATKINSON, D. Collector.
ROBERT TRAILL, Comptroller.

ALL Persons that have any Demands on the Estate of *Daniel Edes*, late of *Charlestown*, deceased, are desired to bring in their Accounts to *Isaac Rand*, and *David Chesver*, Administrators. And all Persons that are indebted to said Estate, are desired to pay the same to said Administrators.

All Persons Licenced and Permitted to sell Spiritous Liquors, with all Importers thereof, in the County of *Suffolk*, are desired to take Notice, That the 26th *March* Current is the Time fixed for the Payment of their Excise; and that I shall attend at my Office on the Town Dock to receive the same as usual. THOS. FLETCHER, *Com'r.*

Public Vendue.

To be Sold by Public Vendue, at the Store under *Green* and *Russell's* Printing-Office, in Queen Street, on THURSDAY the 27th of *March* Instant, at Three o'Clock Afternoon,

A Variety of genteel House Furniture. Printed Catalogues of which will be delivered next Week. J. RUSSELL, Auctioneer.

N. B. Those Persons who have any valuable Furniture to dispose of, are desired to send it in this Week, otherwise it cannot be in the Catalogue.

IMported in the last Ships from LONDON, and to be Sold by *ANNA JOHNSON*, at her Shop, at the Head of Black Horse Lane, near the Rev. Mr. *Pemberton's* Meeting-House, at the North End;—A very large Assortment of *Garden Seeds, Peas and Beans*; all which are warranted to be as good as any imported, as they came directly from the best Seedsman in *London*. Also, Red and white Clover, Rye Grass, Red Top, Herds Grass, La Lucern, Flax, Hemp and Canary Seed, Split Peas by large or small Quantities.

N. B. A fine Assortment of Flower Seeds.

TO BE SOLD,

By Benjamin Church,

At his usual Place of Sale, on THURSDAY next.

BRoad Cloths, Kerseys, Shalloons, Chinces, Checks, Irish Hollands, Bedticks, Lawns, Handkerchiefs, Caps, Hats, Bonnets, &c.—Also sundry Articles of Household, viz. Mehogany Chair Frames, Tables, Bed and Bedding, &c.

To be Sold at Public VENDUE,

By *Moses Deshon*,

At the Newest Auction-Room, opposite the West End of *Faneuil*-Hall,

Dock-Square;

Next Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday Evenings:

A Variety of European Goods,

Houshold Furniture, &c. &c.

At the New Auction-Room now kept by

ELIAS DUPEE,

Will be Sold by PUBLIC VENDUE,

Every Day this Week.

BRoad Cloths, Ratteens, Kerseys, Thicksets, Furniture and Manchester Checks, Irish Linnens, Silver Spurs, Silver-plated Snuff Boxes, Gold & Stone Rings, Gold and Silver Broaches, Stone Buttons, Necklaces and Earings, Silver Watches, Mens Apparel, Household Furniture, and a Variety of other Articles.

To be Sold at Publick Vendue,

By John Harris,

Next Door to the Red Lyon;

This Evening, and Next Thursday Evening.

BRoad Cloths, Kerseys, Ratteens, Hair Plush, Lawns, Irish Linnens, Garlix, Checks, Men and Womens Hose, Beaver Hatts, Caps, Handkerchiefs, Ticken, Men and Womens Shoes, Buttons, Paper, Looking Glasses, Silver Watches, Men and Womens Waring Apparel, Feather Beds, Tables, &c. &c.

A certain M—e having foolishly B—t himself, might have had it wip'd off for asking, before exposed to View, is now forc'd to hire it done, in the Presence of a vast Assembly, and cannot have it half accomplished, it being Swine-Dung.

CUSTOM HOUSE, *BOSTON*. ENTERD IN.

Rogers from Halifax. Davis from Maryland. Somes from Grenades. Brown from Jamaica. Skinner from Figuira.

OUTWARD BOUND.

Rogers for Halifax. Mitchell and Damarell for Newfoundland. Bryant for West Indies.

Buried in the Town of Boston, since our last,
Four Whites. No Blacks.
Bapúz'd in the several Churches. Seven.

High Water at Boston, *for this present Week.*

Monday,	54 m. aft. 4	Friday,	41 m. aft 7
Tuesday,	37 m. aft. 5	Saturday	31 m. aft 8
Wednesday,	17 m. aft. 6	Lord's-day,	14 m. aft 9
Thursday,	0 m. aft. 7	☽ First Q.	1st 11h. 6 M.

* Governor Murray. ‖ Vide pa. 366. ○ Magistrate in Beshet, i.e. Col. Joseph Williams, who sold a Hog, that was not merchantable.

Cambridge, March 7, 1766.

It is the Desire of the Corporation of HARVARD COLLEGE, that all such Gentlemen as have generously offered to give Books to the Library of said COLLEGE, would be pleased to send them to the Hon. Mr. *Hubbard* or the Rev. Mr *Eliot* at Boston, or to the Library at Cambridge; and such Gentlemen as have Books in their Possession, belonging to the former Library, are desired to Return them forthwith; the Committee for the Library being now engaged in disposing the Books for the immediate Use of the Students.

Imported in the last Ships from *London* and *Bristol*, and to be Sold by

Samuel Hughes,

In Kingstreet;

Hemp, Cordage and Junk, English, Russia and Ravens Duck, Ticklenburgs and Ozenbrigs, Sieve Bottoms, Florence Oyl, Glass and Crates of Earthen Ware, Cheshire Cheese, Starch, Pipes, English Peas, Twine, Cod Lines, Nails, White Lead, Grindstones, Hour and Half Hour Glasses, Apothecary's Phials, Brimstone, Powder in half and quarter Barrels, a neat Assortment of Irish Linnens, and a general Assortment of English Goods.

N. B. An Anchor about 900wt. Ship's Copper and Iron Hearths, choice Cotton Wool, Irish Butter, New-Castle Coals, a Quantity of Mchogany Planks and Logs, Mackrell. Likewise a Sloop Burthen about 75, and a Schooner about 55 Tons, both compleatly fitted for the Sea,

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Cash to be given for

POT-ASH,

By *Jarvis* and *Parker*.

Choice DUMB FISH,

A few Bushels HEMP-SEED,

ALSO,

New-Castle *Quart* & *Cask* Bottles,

TO BE SOLD BY

Samuel A. Otis,

At Store No. 5, just below the Swing-Bridge,

All Persons indebted to the late Company of *Cushing* and *Newman*, are ONCE MORE desired to settle the same immediately with the surviving Partner, *Jonathan Cushing*, to prevent Trouble.

HE still continues to sell at his Shop near the Draw-Bridge, *Boston*,—A fine and compleat Assortment of India and European GOODS, cheap for Cash.

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50 Hogsheads of choice SUGARS

To be Sold by Public Vendue, on Thursday the 13th Instant, at X o'Clock Beforenoon, at Mr. *Croft*'s Wharf, at the North End. M. DESHON.

TO BE SOLD,

A Schooner of 85 Tons Burthen,

very suitable for the Whale Fishery—Also a Sett of Tinman's Tools—Inquire of *Benjamin Dolbeare*.

Imported from *London*, per Capt. *Freeman*, and sold

By Elizabeth Clark,

At her Shop near the Mill Bridge, *BOSTON*.

A general Assortment of English Garden Seeds, all warranted to be of the last Year's Growth.——Also, early Charlton, early Hotspur, Golden Hotspur, small Bush, Spanish Marrata, large Marrowfat and gray Peafe; large Windsor and early yellow Bush Beans, early Yorkshire, early Dutch, Savoy and large Winter Cabbage Seed, fine white Turkey Cucumber, Colliflower, &c. &c.

A Parcel of choice Muscovado-Sugars to be Sold cheap for Cash by *William Vernon*; who wants to purchase a double deck'd Brig or Snow, from 100 to 120 Tons, not above two Years old, for which he will pay the Cash.

John Gaberrial, Carpenter, near Winnisimet Ferry, makes and repairs Whale-Boats in the best Manner, at a reasonable Rate, and would be glad to supply any Gentleman He has some ready built.

To be Sold by Nathaniel Thwing,

In Water Street;

Good Ship-Bread, cheap for Cash.—Likewise, good Family Bread.

FISH-HOOKS of all

Sorts (being a Consignment) to be Sold cheap; inquire of the Printers.

TO BE LETT,

A convenient House at *New-Boston*, near the Rev'd. Doctor *Mayhew*'s Meeting-House, fronting on Lynde's Street, lately improved by Mr *John Malvill*, Merchant; it has nine upright Rooms, well finished, and has a good Yard, Garden, &c. For further Particulars, inquire of *Gersham Flagg*, or the Printers hereof.

ALL Persons that are indebted to, or have any Demands on the Estate of *Elisha Cook Phillips*, late of *Boston*, Mariner, deceased, are desired to bring in their Accounts to *Sarah Phillips*, sole Executrix of his last Will and Testament.

To be Sold by Public Auction,

at the House of Mr. *John Greaton*, Innholder in *Roxbury*, six Acres of good Mowing Land, situate in said *Roxbury*, near the Four mile Stone, on the left Side of the Road leading from *Boston* to *Dedham*, is well wall'd and fenc'd in, and extremely well dung'd. The Sale to begin precisely at 4 o'Clock in the Afternoon of Monday the 17th Current. Conditions of which may be known by applying to *George Bray* or *John Ball* of *Boston*, before and at the Time of Sale.

Just Imported in Capt. *Kirkwood* from *LONDON*, and to be Sold at the GOLDEN EAGLE on Dock Square.

BEST Petersburgh Hemp and Cordage of all sizes, prime Russia Duck, English Sail Cloth, Hampers best old London Bottled Porter and Taunton ALE, Grindstones per Chaldron, Spanish White per Hogshead, Fine Chalk per Ton, best Cheshire Cheese & Split Peafe per Cask, London Mops, Holland House Brushes; also a great Assortment of Cutlary and Ironmongery Ware, cheap for Cash.

New-York Pigg Iron per Ton.

N B Also the good Ship Endeavour, Captain *James Kirkwood*, Master, as she now lays at the North Side the Long Wharf; if not sold soon will take in a Freight for London.

THE Farmer of Excise on Tea, &c. for the County of Suffolk, desires those Persons who have not settled their Accounts for one, and others for two Years past, that they would do it immediately. Boston, Feb. 27 1766.

Richard Salter,

HEreby acquaints his Customers and others, That he has imported from *London*, a general Assortment of *English* Goods, which he sells at his Shop in Cornhill, *Boston*, by Wholesale and Retail—Also, a large Quantity of Muslins at the Prime Cost.—ALSO, Writing and Cartridge Paper, Quills, Sealing Wax, Wafers in Boxes, Gunter's Scales and Dividers, ; West India Pilots; 9 leaved Charts; Mariners Compasses and Kalenders; Patoun and Wilson's Epitomes; also a Quantity of the best 3 thread Saine Twine for Salmon-Nets, and best *Lynn* made Shoes, and Galoshoes.

To be SOLD or LETT.

A Dwelling-House, with a Shop upwards of thirty Feet long, with about 7 Acres of Land, situated upon the great Western Road, next to Mr. *Bryant*'s Tavern, by the Causeway in Sudbury—For Terms, inquire of RICHARD SALTER, in Cornhill, Boston—*A fine Place for Trade!*

ALL Persons that have been Deceived in purchasing bad Garden Seeds, may be supplied with Seeds warranted good, and a third cheaper than any sold in Boston—— Also Fruit Trees, Grape Vines, Gooseberries, Currant Bushes, Asparagus Plants, and Seed of the largest and earliest Sort—— Also a large Quantity of Sallery, Cabbage and Colliflower Plants in their Season, and Flower Plants, and Seeds of various Sorts, &c. by WILLIAM DAVIDSON, Gardener from London, in Seven-Star Lane, Boston.

James McElroy,

On *Doble*'s Wharf, near the Old North Meeting House.

HEreby informs the Public, That he will engage to make and mend Anvils as good and as well as any imported—Also Goldsmiths and Braziers Tools of all Sorts, (which he will warrant) at a reasonable Rate.

Imported in the last Ship from *London*, and to be Sold

By Bethiah Oliver,

At her Shop opposite the Rev. Dr. *Sewall*'s Meeting-House, in *BOSTON*,

GArden Seeds, Peas and Beans of all Sorts warranted to be the last Year's Produce, too many to be enumerated. Also split Peas, hemp, rape and canary Bird Seed, red Clover and Herds Grass Seed, and a general Assortment of Glass, Delph and Stone Ware; Lynn Shoes; best Bohea Tea, Coffee, Chocolate, and all other Groceries at the lowest Price for Cash.

Just IMPORTED, and to be Sold by

Elizabeth Greenleaf,

At her Shop the Head of Union-Street, over against the BLUE BALL;

CHoice Peas and Beans, and Garden Seeds of all Sorts, warranted to be the last Year's Growth, Rape and Canary Bird Seeds, Split Peas by the Cask or smaller Quantity.

TO BE LET,

And entered upon the 25*th Day of* March *Instant*;

A Tract of Land containing Eight Hundred Acres, situate on the *Gayhead-Neck* at *Martha's Vineyard*, with a Dwelling House thereon. Inquire of ANDREW OLIVER, Esq; of *Boston*, who is impowered to let the same.

TO BE SOLD,

A Handsome Brick House, with a Garden, and many Accommodations, fit for a Gentleman, situated in Bennet-Street, near the North Latin School, *Boston*. Only one fourth Part is required to be paid down. Inquire of the Printers.

1766

THE Proprietors of the Lands on the River *St. John's, Nova Scotia*, granted to Capt *Falconer*, and others, are hereby desired to meet at the Province Arms Tavern in *New York*, the second Tuesday in *April* next. N. ROGERS.

N. B. Those who cannot attend, are desired to send their lawful Attorney, agreeable to the third Article, to transact some Affairs of Importance to the Society.

All Persons that have any Demands on the Estate of Isaac Thomas, *late of* Hardwick, *in the County of* Worcester, *deceas'd, represented insolvent, are desired to lodge their Accounts with* John Rowe, *Esq: of* Boston, *Administrator on said Estate, who will transmit them to the Commissioners appointed to receive and examine the Claims.—And all Persons indebted to said Estate, are desired forthwith to pay the same to* John Rowe *aforesaid, or his Attorney* James Putnam *Esq: of* Worcester *aforesaid; otherways they may depend on being sued at the next Inferior Court for the County of* Worcester.

NOTICE is hereby given to the Proprietors and Owners of the Township of TOMLINSON, in the Province of *New York*, that are delinquent in paying their Taxes, that is laid on each Right in said Township, that their Lands will be put to Public Sale forthwith, unless prevented by Payment to me, ROBERT WHITCOMB, Collector for said *Tomlinson*.

Littleton, February 25, *A D.* 1766.

STrayed from *Roxbury* on Friday Night the 21st of *February* 1766, a dark grey Horse, eight or nine Years old, paces some, but chooses to trott; he has a Scar on the inner part of his Thigh, and his Hoofs are very much broken: Whoever shall take up said Horse, and convey him to Mr *Samuel Lauchlen* at *Roxbury*, or to Mr. *Ephraim Starkweather* at *Attleboro'*, shall have *Two Dollars* Reward, and all necessary Charges, by me. *GEORGE LAWRENCE*.

To be Sold, just 30 Miles from *Boston*.

A Dwelling-House, Out-Houses, &c. and seven Acres of Land, with a large convenient Store well accustomed, and the Stock in Trade, consisting of a great Assortment of GOODS suited for the Country. For further Particulars, enquire of *Ame* and *Elizabeth Cuming* at their Shop opposite the Brick Meeting near the Town House.

To be Sold, a likely Negro Boy, about Nineteen Years old: Inquire of the Printers

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